

DPD-3486-59

22 May 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, Developments Project Division, DPD

SUBJECT : Trip Report to [ ] Installations, Memorandum

REFERENCE : DPD-3286-59, 19 May 1959, subject "Recommendation on Construction of New Building Project [ ]"

1. On 20 May, [ ] and Parangosky visited [ ] facilities in Boston. The purpose of the trip was for [ ] and Parangosky to be present when bids on the [ ] building were received and opened at 1500 hours on 20 May. [ ], Treasurer of [ ], received seven bids from contractors and opened them as scheduled. A. J. Martini Inc., 9 Jerome Street, W. Medford, submitted the lowest bid of \$267,500, the total contract price, with completion estimated within 300 calendar days from the commencement date of construction. Attached is a list of bidders and data pertaining to bids submitted.

2. The architects employed by [ ] now are analyzing the bids received and will submit their comments to [ ] on 22 May. The first reaction of an [ ] employed architect, name unknown, upon learning of the aforementioned lowest bid was a highly favorable comment about the Martini firm. If it is decided to accept the Martini firm bid, it was the consensus of [ ], that strong effort be made to commit the Martini firm to reduce its estimate of calendar days required to complete the project to somewhere between 200 - 225 days. Since four bidders estimated less than 225 days would be required to complete the job, it was generally agreed that Martini, in all probability, padded the firms estimate in order to take care of a steel strike contingency.

3. Since it is customary to accept or reject bids within a reasonable period of time after bids are opened, an early decision by the Deputy Director/Plans regarding the [ ] building, raised in reference memorandum, is indicated.

4. There follows a recapitulation of the immediate related costs involved with the [ ] building project:

a. Erection Building & Landscaping	\$267,500
b. Purchase of Landsite, about	44,000
c. Architects fee	26,750
TOTAL	\$338,250

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5. Mr. Parangoosky discussed DPD fiscal year 1960 and 1961 requirements pertaining to [ ] with [ ] In order to further acquaint [ ] with budgetary procedures and requirements, it was decided to have [ ] meet with Mr. Parangoosky and a member of the DPD Comptroller staff on 26 May for a special budget briefing.

6. [ ] was absent from Boston 20 May during the [ ] - Parangoosky visit.

SIGNED

John Parangoosky  
D/Chief, Developments Branch

Attached:  
Bidders & Date

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1 - Deputy Director/Plans  
1 - R&D/DPD  
✓ 1 - RI/DPD

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